(*d*) As the lathi-armed constables were in danger of being overpowered and annihilated, the armed Police were to the front and finding themselves assailed by stones and other missiles and receiving serious injuries, they fired in self-defence on their own initiative.

(*e*) The City Magistrate, the District Superintendent of Police, Bangalore City, and the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Provincial Reserve Police.

(*f*) The allegation is without foundation.

(*g*) No. Government have received reports in the matter from the police and magisterial authorities.

(*h*) Does not arise in the light of the answer to (*g*).

MESSRS B. P. BASAPPA SETTY and BAGAMANE DEVA GOWDA (Chikmagalur Taluk).—

Q.—44. Will the Government be pleased to answer:—

(*a*) Is it a fact that an agitation was started by the raiyats of Shiralkoppa and other adjoining villages regarding their inability to pay up land revenue for the year 1930-31?

(*b*) When was it started and who are the officers that have come to know of it and when and what are the actions taken by them in the matter and the result thereof?

(*c*) Have the revenue officers compared the economic position of these raiyats with that of the raiyats of the adjoining British Indian Taluks during 1930-31?

(*d*) What concessions have the Government shown to them and what kinds of coercive steps did they adopt in collecting the assessment?

(*e*) Is it a fact that the help of the Reserve Police had been requisitioned there and if so, what were the reasons for the same?

(*f*) What are the expenses incurred in this connection?

(*g*) Who were the persons that were employed by Government for the purpose of recovering the revenue, to what communities did they belong and what actions did they take?

(*h*) What was the amount of revenue collected thereby?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—

A.—44. (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) September 1930.

The Amildar and the Sub-Division Officer inspected most of the villages and reported that the villagers were not entitled to remission.

(*c*) No such comparison is necessary.

(*d*) Process fees have been excused and sales held months ago have not been confirmed. Assessment is being recovered in easy instalments, and in deserving cases time has been given to pay up dues. Distraints of movables have been made only in the case of wilful defaulters.

(*e*) The Reserve Police were taken to Shiralkoppa to prevent any breach of the peace.

(*f*) Travelling Allowances.

(*g*) Only Government servants. They took the assistance of a few panchayetdars.

(*h*) From 1st July to 19th September, Rs. 21,000 against a demand of Rs. 57,000.

MR. ARAMBALLI PUTTEGOWDA (Narasimharajapura Sub-Taluk).—

Q.—45. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether it is true that an *anicut* (ಅಣೆಕಟ್ಟು) will be constructed on the Bhadra river near Lakkavalli?

(*b*) The number of villages in the Narasimharajapura Sub-Taluk that may be submerged if such a structure is put up?

(*c*) The extent of wet, garden and dry lands that may be submerged?

(*d*) The amount of expenditure incurred in carrying the survey operations in this connection? (Amount to be stated yearwar.)

(*e*) (i) The time when this work will be taken up and (ii) its estimated cost?

(*f*) The district and taluks where lands become irrigable after this construction is over and the extent of such irrigable lands?

(*g*) The area of the bed?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENET, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—45. (*a*) Not an *anicut*, but a reservoir.

(*b*) and (*c*) Alternative proposals are under investigation. No definite information can be given yet.